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G.O., No. 19196

DATED 2-9-97

[Despatch Abstract.]

Chief of Burial ground, Madras
City. — Authorizing the Burial
Commission, Madras, to issue the
under section 38 of the City of Madras
Act in respect of the Mahamadan
burial ground the closed in the
city.

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Local & Munl. (1897) Department. ^{MCS}

CURRENT No. 3004 *h*

Order

From

THE PRESIDENT,
Municipal Commission,
Madras.

H. No. 669

Dated 18th August.

Received 20 AUG. 1897

Registered 20-8-1897

Enclosures. /

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SUBJECT.

*Forwarding with reference
to Memo and Cum No. 830 dated
4th August 1897 a statement
showing the number of
burial grounds in the original
list published in the
Fort Saint George Gazette
of 22 September 1896, the number
since excluded from it and
the number now proposed to be
added to it and requesting to
cancel the original notice
and issue a fresh one in
its stead as per revised
list already submitted*

*sub. attached
connection with*

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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From

Lieut. Col. Sir George Moore, Kt., C.I.E.,
President, Municipal Commission,

To

The Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department,
Fort Saint George.

With reference to Memorandum No.830 dated 4th ---
August 1897, I have the honor to forward the accompanying
list showing the burial grounds included in the original
list, those now proposed to be excluded from it and those
now proposed to be added.

2. The differences arose from the difficulty there
was in identifying the grounds in the Sanitary Com-
missioner's Report, with those in the Register - the names
given by him not corresponding in many cases with those in
the Register.

3. On appeals being received against the closure, I
went into the matter personally with the Sanitary Com-
missioner and the list submitted with this office letter
No.281 dated 21st May 1897 is the result.

4. I would suggest that the notice under Section 388
of Act I of 1884 published in the Fort Saint George Gazette
of September 22nd 1896 be cancelled and a fresh notice be
issued.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. Moore Lt.Col.

President, Munl. Commn.

7/8
18.9.97

Again G.O., dated

189 , No.

Current No. 2029. M.

of 1897, dated

21st May 1897

from the President, Municipal Commission, Madras

Current No.

of 189 , dated

from the

SUBJECT.

FOR ORDERS.

In March 1894, the President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, submitted a list of Muhammadan burial grounds in the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Municipal divisions of the city of Madras, which were in the opinion of the Health Officer prejudicial to the health of the town, and which the standing Committee recommended should be closed, and he requested the sanction of Government to close them under section 388 of Act I of 1884, provision having been made for the persons who would ordinarily use them by opening two grounds instead. The Government declined to sanction this wholesale closure of the burial grounds on the meagre information

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afforded, but called on the President to take up each case separately, discuss the matter fully with the persons who would be affected by the closure, and report the result to Government together with a sketch showing the position of the existing and proposed burial grounds. Several petitions having also been received from the members of the Muhammadan Community against the President's proposals, the Sanitary Commissioner was asked, in G.O. No. 1229. M, dated 7th September 1894 to inspect the several burial grounds which it was proposed to close and to report which of them called for immediate action in this direction. This officer having recommended that for the present fifteen places of burial should be completely closed, the Government sanctioned this measure in G.O. No. 1000. M, dated 15th June 1896. In pursuance of this order, the President published in the Fort Saint George Gazette of the 29th September 1896, the notice required by section 388 of Act I of 1884, together with the list of burial grounds proposed to be closed in accordance with the recommendations of the Sanitary Commissioner.

his letter read above

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* Please see list in fo R
672 M
12-6-95

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above, the President forwards a revised list of burial grounds to be closed and requests that it may be substituted for the one already published in the Fort Saint George Gazette, as the latter is found to be inaccurate. Items 4, 12, 13, 14 and 15 in the original list have been omitted from the revised list now submitted, while items 10 to 20 appearing therein are new. The effect of substituting the revised list for the one already published therefore seems to be to leave alone some of the burial grounds, which the Sanitary Commissioner recommended should be closed, and others which he has not recommended, but as the description of the grounds given by the Sanitary Commissioner in the list recorded in G.O. No. 672. M, dated 18th April 1895, is very meagre, this cannot be said with any certainty.

The draft reference

on the current is therefore submitted
for approval.

Issue it

V.R.
30/8/97

[Signature]

In reply to the reference made to him,
the President states, that as there
is some difficulty in identifying
the grounds in the Sanitary Com-
missioner's report with those in the
Municipal Register, and as appeals
are received against the closure, he
has sent into the matter personally with
the Sanitary Commissioner and that
the revised list submitted with the
rest of his letters read above was the
result. It is therefore submitted
that the President may be authorized
to issue the notice required by sec.
388 of the City of Madras Municipal
Act I of 1884, in respect of the burial
grounds shown in the revised list.

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* Vide Cur No. 3004/11/97.

② Inq. 672/11 R.
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The draft order on the Current
is submitted for approval.

V.R.
30/8/97

Approved: vice

[Signature]
30/8/97

Note for the Secretary.

In his report disposed of in G.O.No. 672 M, dated 18th April 1895, the Sanitary Commissioner recommended the permanent & immediate closure of the following Muham-
madan burial grounds in the City of Madras:

1. Burial ground to the Southeast of the Jumma Masjid.
2. Do. in Saiyid ~~M~~hi-ud-din Kasim Ali lane.
3. Portions of the Manja Koli burial ground owned by the following persons:-
Maulvi Baker Sahib
Nawab Rasul-ud-daula Bahadur
Haji Maulvi Badr-ud-din Sahib
Ahmad Ali Sahib
Ran Kolla Sahib
Amirud-din Husain Ali Khan Bahadur
- ✓ 4. Burial ground owned by Fursheed Ali Shah
- ✓ 5. " " " " Yasam Begum
- ✓ 6. " " " " Channa Miya Sahib & others
- ✓ 7. " " " " Koorshed Ali Shah
- ✓ 8. " " " " Abdul Ghani Khan & others
- ✓ 9. " " " " Hakim Mir Muhammad Sahib Bahadur (in St. Thome Jonagur's lane)
- ✓ 10. " " " " Saiyid Asad-daula Sahib
- ✓ 11. " " " " Saiyid Durali Bahadur
- ✓ 12. The Mylapore bazaar and Cutcherry road
- ✓ 13. graveyards..

He also proposed that the burial ground near the Barber's bridge road close to Prince of Arcot's graveyard, and the grounds known as the Afrozul Khan Masjid and

Note by Mr. H.M.

upshot of the former correspondence and the reference to the Sanitary Commissioner that the President was allowed to close burial grounds. Now, so far as I can see, he applied for leave to close 32 being 18 which he has, for some reason put under the one serial no. 2 - in this no: he has deducted 5 and to he has added 11. The total no: he has been allowed to close is therefore 38 instead of 15. Please explain this at once and fully. I do not understand it.

(Initialed) H.W.B

and Saiyid Miyah burial ground, and the burial ground in Thandavaraya Mudali Street should be closed after the little available space had been filled in, and that the portion of the burial ground known as Dolari Begum Durga, owned by Karajam should be closed as it was too near

habitations. In the case of a few others Dr. King suggested that as certain portions of them had already been filled with graves, extension, for which there was ample room available, might be made in other directions and he also recom-

mended that the grounds noted in the margin, should be closed, special burials alone being permitted in them under a special provision similar to section 383 of the ^{Municipal} Calcutta Consolidation Act II of 1888, which he proposed should be introduced in the City of Madras Municipal Act.

2. In para. 5 of its order No. 1000 M, dated 15th June 1896, the Government observed that the result of the very careful inspection made by Dr. King has been "that for the present he proposes to close completely fifteen places of burial" and in para. 6 of the same order the President was authorized to take the necessary action under section 388 of Act I of 1884, as amended by Acts VII of 1884 & II of 1892, for closing the burial grounds referred to. These fifteen burial grounds were however nowhere specified and the President was therefore left to act upon the Sanitary Commissioner's report, above referred to. The President accordingly

made out

Note

These have been found on
inspecting to form present
burial ground No. 4 in the
above list, and are not in
the President's list -

1. Triplicane Jumma Masjid - Prince of Arcot's private burial ground.
2. Prince of Arcot's graveyard near Baran's bridge road.
3. Thousand Lights Masjid.
4. Arundel street Masjid.

(I had nothing to do with
the issue of this Order)
S. J.

It has been ascertained
from the municipal office

made out a list which was published under section 388, but on appeals being received by him against the closure, he went into the matter personally with Dr. King and submitted the revised list which has been approved in G.O. No. 1919 M, dated 2nd September 1897. No. 5 of the thirteen burial grounds enumerated in para. 1 of this note, which is shown as belonging to Yasam Begum, does not appear in the President's list approved in G.O. No. 1919 M, dated 2nd September 1897, as it is an unregistered burial ground and as the Municipal Commissioners have the power, under section 382 of Act I of 1884, as amended by Acts VII of 1884 & II of 1892, to prosecute the persons who use it as a burial ground and special action is required under section 388. The list contains the remaining twelve grounds enumerated in para. 1 of this note but as some of them are said to be owned by ^{several} individuals and are consequently registered in the municipal registers as distinct burial grounds, the number of grounds which it is now proposed to close comes to 38 as shown in the President's list. It has been ascertained by enquiry in the municipal office that the burial ground to the Southeast of the Jumma Masjid which is No. 1 in the list in para. 1 of this note and No. 2 in the President's list approved in G.O. No. 1919 M, dated 2nd September 1897 is shown in the municipal registers as consisting of eighteen grounds, while the ground belonging to Fursheed Ali ^{Shah} (No. 3 in the list in para. 1) is made up of two viz Nos. 16 & 17

in the President's list. The ground owned by Chunda Miyah and others (No. 6 in para. 1) comprises seven grounds viz Nos. 5, 7, 10, 11, 14, 19 and 20 in the President's list, and the two graveyards near the Mylapore Bazaar and Cutcherry roads (Nos. 12 & 15 in the list in para. 1) are made up of four grounds, which are shown in the President's list as Nos. 6, 9, 12 and 13.

3. It will thus be seen that the twelve grounds which the Sanitary Commissioner recommended should be closed comprise 38 grounds as shown in the President's list.

4. The delay in submitting this note was due to the fact that the explanation called for by the Hon'ble Member was not available in the office and had to be obtained from the municipal office.

V.R.
11/11/17

H.O.

The above gives the information required (H.H.).

It was my impression at the time that the difference in the Nos. was mainly due to the former list including under one head several grounds.

But all the procedure required of the law was taken & due notice given to the persons interested to appear & object to the matter had been personally gone into by the P.C. & the San. Comm.

no one has as yet objected, so nothing need be done. But the sanction to close should not have been issued before it had been ascertained that the grounds proposed to be closed were those the closure of which had been approved. This question of closing under municipal grounds is a very delicate one & the action of Municipal Comm. requires to be

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